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IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the Abstract with the following rewritten paragraph:

Abstract

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An electrical diagnostic circuit and testing method is disclosed. In one embodiment, The electrical diagnostic circuit for testing an integrated circuit emprises includes a number of external inputs (E), a plurality of essentially similar, series-connected switching units and a circuit output (116). The switching units are constructed to be controllable in such a manner that an input signal present at the internal input of the switching unit, in dependence on a control signal of the switching unit, can either be forwarded unchanged to the internal input of the switching unit in each case arranged downstream, or can be combined with the test signal in each case present at the external input (E).

(Figure 1)